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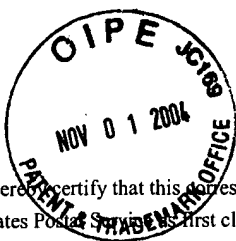
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REMOTE DATA STORAGE SYSTEMS

Customer No.: 20350

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 29, 2004 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.